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16R-17-R4

Attachments: Final Tallassee Brief 10.12.18.pdf; 10.12.18 Exhibits 1-19.pdf

Dear Director Dorka,

Attached please find a brief and additional materials submitted on behalf of the Ashurst Bar/Smith Community Organization in support of their March 5, 2017 Complaint, Case No. 16R-17-R4.

We have tried to pull together information by today in accordance with your request. There is additional information that was not available on this timeline, however. We will be in touch if we receive additional information that might be helpful to your investigation.

As the attached brief and materials make clear, ADEM's decision to renew and reissue the Stone's Throw Landfill permit to operate in the Ashurst Bar/Smith community has a discriminatory and disproportionate impact on the basis of race in violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., and EPA's nondiscrimination regulations, 40 C.F.R. Part 7. The evidence is manifest and overwhelming, from pervasive odor that interferes with enjoyment of property to the devaluation of land in this historic predominantly black community, the disparate adverse impacts is a direct consequence of ADEM's decisions to reissue the Landfill's operating permit. But for ADEM's action, the Landfill could not operate in this location. After decades of watching their community destroyed, the residents of the Ashurst Bar/Smith community call on EPA to recognize the disparate impacts of the Landfill and enforce Title VI.

Please let us know if these materials raise any question or we can provide additional information..

Sincerely,

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